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May 1, 2015

TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: Cynthia A. Harding, M.P.H.
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A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Cynthia A. Harding".

**SUBJECT: NOTIFICATION OF THE USE OF DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO
ACCEPT A NOTICE OF AWARD FROM THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE
CONTROL AND PREVENTION TO SUPPORT EPIDEMIOLOGY AND
LABORATORY CAPACITY FOR INFECTIOUS DISEASES**

This is to notify you that I am exercising the delegated authority approved by your Board on July 29, 2014, to accept and implement: 1) a forthcoming Notice of Award (NA) from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to enhance the Department of Public Health's (DPH) epidemiology and laboratory capacity (ELC) at an amount estimated not to exceed \$2,475,000 for the anticipated period of August 1, 2014 through July 31, 2015; and 2) future awards and/or amendments that are consistent with the requirements of the NA that extend the term through July 31, 2019, at amounts determined by the CDC, subject to review and approval by County Counsel, and notification to your Board and the Chief Executive Office.

On September 11, 2014, I notified your Board that I was exercising delegated authority to accept two NAs to support ELC for Infectious Diseases for the period of August 1, 2014 through July 31, 2015: NA Number 1U50CK000393-01, in the amount of \$745,447, and NA Number 3U50CK000393-01S1, in the amount of \$766,732, for a combined total award of \$1,512,179.

Under the delegated authority referenced above, I will accept CDC supplemental NA Number 3U50CK000393-01S2, issued on March 30, 2015, in the amount of \$2,200,798 (\$733,599 annually) for the budget period of March 31, 2015 through March 30, 2018. This funding will allow DPH to accelerate building epidemiology and laboratory capacities for healthcare associated infections or outbreaks to fill the gaps identified in the 2014 Ebola incident, and improve infection control infrastructure and practice in Los Angeles County.

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County Counsel has reviewed and approved the NA as to use and this delegated authority action.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please let me know.

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c: Interim Chief Executive Officer
County Counsel
Acting Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors